

HOUSE BILL NO. 49 ON SECOND
READING.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 49, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3887 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, as amended by the Acts of the Forty-first Legislature, Regular Session, Chapter 112, page 256, as further amended by the Acts of the Forty-second Legislature, Regular Session, Chapter 123, page 235, of the Special Laws of said Forty-second Legislature, providing that said article as so amended shall also apply to any county having a population of seventy-five thousand (75,000) inhabitants or more, according to the last preceding Federal census and each succeeding Federal census thereafter, which have voted road and bridge bonds amounting to six million dollars (\$6,000,000) or more, and flood protection bonds amounting to one million dollars (\$1,000,000) or more, where there is no district attorney and having two or more district courts and in which the county attorney acts as district attorney, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time, and was passed to engrossment.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Morse, the House, at 5:40 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 9 o'clock a. m., tomorrow.

APPENDIX.

STANDING COMMITTEE
REPORTS.

The following committees have filed favorable reports on bills, as follows:

Live Stock and Stock Raising: House bill No. 52.

Judiciary: House bill No. 46.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
ON ENGROSSED BILLS.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, September 17, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 33, A bill to be entitled

"An Act waiving the right of the State of Texas to enter upon, for the purpose of development of mines, minerals and mineral rights, including oil and gas thereunder, all lands heretofore granted, or that may hereafter be granted, under Article 8225, of the Revised Statutes, to any navigation district, and by such district conveyed, or that may hereafter be conveyed, to the United States of America for navigation purposes, so long as such lands shall be used by the United States of America, or such navigation district, for navigation purposes, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly engrossed.

JUSTISS, Chairman.

SIXTH DAY.

(Friday, September 18, 1931.)

The House met at 9 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Minor.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Mr. Speaker.	Elliott.
Adams of Jasper.	Engelhard.
Adamson.	Farmer.
Adkins.	Ferguson.
Akin.	Finn.
Alsup.	Fisher.
Baker.	Forbes.
Barron.	Ford.
Beck.	Fuchs.
Bond.	Gilbert.
Bounds.	Giles.
Boyd.	Goodman.
Bradley.	Graves.
Brice.	Greathouse.
Brooks.	Grogan.
Burns of Walker.	Hanson.
Burns of McCulloch.	Hardy.
Carpenter.	Harman.
Caven.	Harrison of El Paso.
Coltrin.	Harrison of Waller.
Coombes.	Hatchitt.
Cox of Lamar.	Hefley.
Cox of Limestone.	Herzik.
Cunningham.	Hill.
Dale.	Hines.
Davis.	Holder.
DeWolfe.	Holland.
Dodd.	Holloway.
Donnell.	Hoskins.
Dowell.	Howsley.
Dunlap.	Hubbard.
Dwyer.	

Hughes.	Ray.
Jackson.	Reader.
Johnson.	Richardson.
of Dallam.	Rogers.
Johnson	Rountree.
of Dimmit.	Sanders.
Johnson of Morris.	Satterwhite.
Jones of Shelby.	Savage.
Jones of Atascosa.	Scott.
Justiss.	Shelton.
Keller.	Sherrill.
Kennedy.	Smith of Bastrop.
Laird.	Smith of Wood.
Lee.	Sparkman.
Lemens.	Stephens.
Leonard.	Stevenson.
Lilley.	Strong.
Lockhart.	Sullivant.
Long.	Tarwater.
McCombs.	Terrell
McDougald.	of Cherokee.
McGill.	Terrell
McGregor.	of Val Verde.
Magee.	Towery.
Martin.	Turner.
Mehl.	Van Zandt.
Metcalfe.	Vaughan.
Moffett.	Veatch.
Moore.	Wagstaff.
Morse.	Walker.
Munson.	Weinert.
Murphy.	West of Coryell.
Nicholson.	West of Cameron.
Olsen.	Westbrook.
O'Quinn.	Wiggs.
Petsch.	Wyatt.
Ramsey.	Young.
Ratliff.	

Absent.

Adams of Harris.	Patterson.
Anderson.	Pope.
Duvall.	

Absent—Excused.

Albritton.	Kayton.
Bedford.	Lasseter.
Bryant.	Mathis.
Claunch.	Steward.
Daniel.	Warwick.
Farrar.	

A quorum was announced present.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. John W. Holt, Chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Lilley for last Wednesday and Thursday, on motion of Mr. Grogan.

Mr. Claunch for today, on motion of Mr. Grogan.

Mr. Bedford for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mrs. Moore.

Mr. Mathis for today, on motion of Mr. McDougald.

Mr. Daniel for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Johnson of Dallam.

Mr. Anderson for today, on motion of Mr. Sanders.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of illness:

Mr. Bryant for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Baker.

Mr. Albritton for today and the balance of the session, on motion of Mr. Olsen.

Mr. Farrar for today and the balance of the session, on motion of Mr. Minor.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mrs. Rountree, Mr. Graves, Mrs. Strong, Mr. Holder, Mr. Akin, Mr. Metcalfe, Mr. Savage, Mr. Davis, Mr. Barron, Mr. Fuchs, Mr. Alsup, Mr. Stephens, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Holland, Mr. Giles, Mr. Carpenter, Mr. Jones of Atascosa, Mr. Wyatt, Mr. Terrell of Cherokee, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Hanson, Mr. Adamson, and Mr. Burns of McCulloch:

H. B. No. 53, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Sections 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19, Article 6701, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, as amended, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic.

By Mr. Hubbard, Mr. Petsch, Mr. Johnson of Dimmit, Mr. Moffett, Mr. Cox of Limestone, and Mr. Weinert:

H. B. No. 54, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7043 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1925, Acts of the First Called Session, Thirtieth Legislature, page 464, relating to ascertaining tax rate, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. West of Cameron and Mr. Leonard:

H. B. No. 55, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 3 of the General Laws, Forty-first Legislature, Fourth Called Session, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Wagstaff:

H. B. No. 56, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 3 of Chapter 23 of the General Laws of the State of Texas, Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature, known as Senate bill No. 310, so as to extend the time of payment of consideration or rental for such leases to June 1, 1932; re-enacting all other provisions of said Section 3, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Public Lands and Buildings.

By Mr. Petsch:

H. B. No. 57, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 271, House bill No. 358, General Laws of the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature, approved May 29, 1931, providing for the sale of lands belonging to the Public Free School Fund for the State of Texas, except islands, lakes and bays and other lands within tide-water limits; amending Section 5 of said act, giving preference right to holders in good faith of surveys of land to purchase the same; amending Section 8 of said act, relating to the lease of all unsold public free school lands, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Public Lands and Buildings.

RELATIVE TO PLACING TARIFF ON IMPORTATION OF JUTE.

Mr. Weinert offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 5, Relative to placing tariff on jute.

Whereas, The cotton farmers of Texas are in a deplorable financial condition due to many hazards which have destroyed the benefits to which they are so justly entitled; and

Whereas, One hazard in particular, to-wit: the use of jute as covering for bales of cotton and other purposes is largely responsible for the low price of that product; and

Whereas, A reasonable increase in

tariff on the importation of jute will exclude it as a competitor of low grade cotton as covering for bales of cotton and other purposes, thus increasing home consumption of cotton to the extent of approximately 2,000,000 bales annually, thereby reducing "surplus" production and the "carry-over" to this extent; and

Whereas, The substitution of cotton for jute as an economical covering for bales of cotton will eventually abolish the present wasteful method of sampling cotton, thereby eliminating what is known as the "city crop," which constitutes a loss of approximately ten pounds per bale annually; and

Whereas, When cotton is used in place of jute as a covering for bales of cotton, a standard pattern will be prescribed as to weight and character, thus bringing about an adjustment of present arbitrary tare regulations which are causing producers to lose from ten to fifteen pounds on each and every bale of cotton annually produced in the South; and

Whereas, The substitution of cotton for jute as a covering for bales of cotton will lead to a standard of selling cotton at net weight, and at the same time prevent the weight of tare (bagging and ties) from being counted as actual cotton by official statisticians, who, by so doing, overestimate annual net production by approximately 600,000 bales; and

Whereas, The countries from which jute is imported into the United States do not buy American cotton, therefore the cotton producers and the consumers of this country should not be forced by tariff or other regulations to buy jute, when the use of cotton as a substitute is more economical and will serve the purpose better. Be it therefore

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Texas, the Senate concurring:

First, that the United States Senators and members of Congress from Texas be, and they are hereby, petitioned and urged to use their best efforts to have the Congress of the United States to place such a tariff upon the importation of jute into the United States as will prevent it from longer being a competitor of low grade cotton as a substitute for any and all articles now being manufactured from jute.

Second, that the Representatives of the State of Texas in the Senate and Congress of the United States be, and they are hereby earnestly requested to join with the Representatives in Congress from all the cotton-growing States of the South, and to co-operate with them in a determined united movement to place such a tariff on the importation of jute as will put an end to its use as a covering for bales of cotton and its other uses that bring it in competition with the use of low grade cotton, and

Third, that the Chief Clerk of the House forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Governor of each of the cotton-growing States of the South, and that they each be, and are hereby respectfully petitioned to join with Texas in this movement for the protection of the cotton growers of this country.

WEINERT,
FUCHS,
HERZIK,
RAY,
COX of Limestone,
GILES,
TERRELL of Cherokee,
LEE,
TARWATER,
DONNELL,
SHELTON,
ENGELHARD.

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted.

BILLS ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Sherrill, House bill No. 46 and Senate bill No. 18 were ordered not printed.

BILLS LAID ON THE TABLE SUBJECT TO CALL.

On motion of Mr. Sherrill, House bill No. 46 was laid on the table subject to call.

On motion of Mr. Gilbert, House bill No. 36 was laid on the table subject to call.

HOUSE BILL NO. 52 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 52, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Chapter 325 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature,

placing Presidio county under the hide and animal inspection laws of Texas, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time, and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 52 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Satterwhite moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that House bill No. 52 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—102.

Mr. Speaker.	Hines.
Adams of Jasper.	Holder.
Adamson.	Holland.
Akin.	Holloway.
Alsup.	Hoskins.
Baker.	Howsley.
Barron.	Hughes.
Bond.	Jackson.
Bounds.	Johnson
Boyd.	of Dallam.
Brice.	Johnson
Brooks.	of Dimmit.
Burns of Walker.	Johnson of Morris.
Burns	Jones of Atascosa.
of McCulloch.	Justiss.
Carpenter.	Keller.
Caven.	Kennedy.
Coltrin.	Laird.
Coombes.	Lee.
Cox of Lamar.	Leonard.
Cunningham.	Lilley.
Dale.	Lockhart.
Dodd.	Long.
Donnell.	McCombs.
Dowell.	McDougald.
Dunlap.	McGill.
Dwyer.	Magee.
Elliott.	Mehl.
Engelhard.	Metcalfe.
Farmer.	Moffett.
Ferguson.	Munson.
Fisher.	Murphy.
Forbes.	Olsen.
Ford.	Petsch.
Fuchs.	Ratliff.
Gilbert.	Ray.
Goodman.	Reader.
Graves.	Richardson.
Greathouse.	Rogers.
Grogan.	Rountree.
Hanson.	Sanders.
Harman.	Satterwhite.
Hatchitt.	Shelton.
Hefley.	Sherrill.
Herzik.	Sparkman.
Hill.	Stephens.

Stevenson.	Wagstaff.
Strong.	Weinert.
Tarwater.	West of Coryell.
Terrell	West of Cameron.
of Cherokee.	Wiggs.
Terrell	Wyatt.
of Val Verde.	Young.
Vaughan.	

Absent.

Adams of Harris.	McGregor.
Adkins.	Martin.
Anderson.	Moore.
Beck.	Morse.
Cox of Limestone.	Nicholson.
Davis.	O'Quinn.
DeWolfe.	Patterson.
Duvall.	Pope.
Finn.	Ramsey.
Giles.	Savage.
Hardy.	Scott.
Harrison	Smith of Bastrop.
of El Paso.	Smith of Wood.
Harrison	Sullivant.
of Waller.	Towery.
Hubbard.	Turner.
Jones of Shelby.	Van Zandt.
Kayton.	Veatch.
Lasseter.	Walker.
Lemens.	Westbrook.

Absent—Excused.

Albritton.	Daniel.
Bedford.	Farrar.
Bradley.	Mathis.
Bryant.	Steward.
Claunch.	Warwick.

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 52 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time, and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—102.

Adams of Jasper.	Dale.
Adamson.	Davis.
Akin.	Dodd.
Alsup.	Donnell.
Baker.	Dowell.
Barron.	Dunlap.
Bond.	Dwyer.
Bounds.	Elliott.
Boyd.	Engelhard.
Brice.	Farmer.
Brooks.	Ferguson.
Burns of Walker.	Fisher.
Burns	Forbes.
of McCulloch.	Ford.
Carpenter.	Fuchs.
Caven.	Gilbert.
Coltrin.	Goodman.
Coombes.	Graves.
Cox of Lamar.	Greathouse.
Cunningham.	Grogan.

Hanson.	Munson.
Hatchitt.	Murphy.
Hefley.	Olsen.
Herzik.	Petsch.
Hill.	Ratliff.
Hines.	Ray.
Holder.	Reader.
Holland.	Rogers.
Hoskins.	Rountree.
Howsley.	Sanders.
Hughes.	Satterwhite.
Jackson.	Savage.
Johnson	Shelton.
of Dallam.	Sherrill.
Johnson	Smith of Wood.
of Dimmit.	Sparkman.
Johnson of Morris.	Stephens.
Jones of Atascosa.	Stevenson.
Keller.	Strong.
Kennedy.	Tarwater.
Laird.	Terrell
Lee.	of Cherokee.
Leonard.	Terrell
Lilley.	of Val Verde.
Lockhart.	Veatch.
Long.	Wagstaff.
McCombs.	Walker.
McDougald.	Weinert.
McGill.	West of Coryell.
Magee.	West of Cameron.
Mehl.	Wiggs.
Metcalf.	Wyatt.
Moffett.	Young.
Moore.	

Absent.

Adams of Harris.	Kayton.
Adkins.	Lasseter.
Anderson.	Lemens.
Beck.	McGregor.
Bradley.	Martin.
Cox of Limestone.	Morse.
DeWolfe.	Nicholson.
Duvall.	O'Quinn.
Finn.	Patterson.
Giles.	Pope.
Hardy.	Ramsey.
Harman.	Richardson.
Harrison	Scott.
of El Paso.	Smith of Bastrop.
Harrison	Sullivant.
of Waller.	Towery.
Holloway.	Turner.
Hubbard.	Van Zandt.
Jones of Shelby.	Vaughan.
Justiss.	Westbrook.

Absent—Excused.

Albritton.	Farrar.
Bedford.	Mathis.
Bryant.	Steward.
Claunch.	Warwick.
Daniel.	

RELATIVE TO CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.

Mr. Moffett offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 9, Relating to discontinuance of appropriations by the United States government to reclaim arid lands for the purpose of growing cotton thereon.

Whereas, The United States government has in the past appropriated sums running into the millions of dollars for the purpose, or purposes, of building dams, impounding waters, establishing vast irrigation projects, etc., and reclaiming sizeable areas of arid and unproductive lands, so that the latter might be placed in cultivation and in many instances made to produce cotton which cotton is sold in the markets of the world in competition with cotton produced without any governmental aid whatever; and

Whereas, The world is now threatened with an over-supply of cotton greater than ever known; and

Whereas, A great many States of the Union are straining every possible effort to legitimately curtail production of cotton; and

Whereas, The appropriation of money out of the National Treasury for the purposes enumerated above constitutes an unnecessary and uncalled-for drain upon same, under present conditions. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives of the Texas Legislature, the Senate concurring, do hereby memorialize and petition the Congress of the United States, and more particularly the Committee on Appropriations in the House of Representatives, and the Finance Committee of the Senate, that no further appropriations be made which would directly or indirectly cause land not now planted in cotton to be planted in same; and be it

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives be instructed to send a copy of this resolution to each member of the Texas delegation in the United States Congress and to the chairman of the committees mentioned above.

MOFFETT,
FORD,
WIGGS,
PETSCH.

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted.

RELATIVE TO GROWTH OF JOHNSON GRASS ALONG HIGHWAYS.

Mr. Sparkman offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 15, Relative to the growth of Johnson grass along highways.

Whereas, Under the law regulating the planting of cotton on the same land two consecutive years as passed by the Second Called Session of the Forty-second Legislature will result in the further spread of Johnson grass and Bermuda grass over the farm land of Texas; and

Whereas, The general spread of these grasses has added to the cost of producing crops and has greatly depreciated the value of farm lands in Texas; and

Whereas, The general distribution of such obnoxious grasses has been largely from railroads, electric power lines, State highways, telephone and telegraph lines, crude oil and natural gas pipe lines, and other corporations allowing Johnson grass, Bermuda grass and other obnoxious weeds to mature and scatter onto contiguous farm lands; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That said corporations use the necessary care and diligence in keeping their right-of-ways clear of any grasses, weeds or other plants that tend to spread, to the end that the increased burdens incident to the enforcement of this conservation act shall not add unnecessary cost to the farmer in his efforts to protect and conserve the potential productivity of his soil. Be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be furnished the general manager of each corporation in this State mentioned herein and that due notice be given those responsible for the carrying out of the provisions of this resolution.

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—102.

Adams of Jasper.	Akin.
Adamson.	Alsup.
Adkins.	Barron.

Bounds.	Johnson of Morris.
Boyd.	Jones of Shelby.
Bradley.	Jones of Atascosa.
Brice.	Justiss.
Brooks.	Keller.
Burns of Walker.	Kennedy.
Burns	Laird.
of McCulloch.	Lee.
Carpenter.	Leonard.
Caven.	Lilley.
Coltrin.	Lockhart.
Coombes.	McCombs.
Cox of Lamar.	McDougald.
Cox of Limestone.	McGill.
Cunningham.	Magee.
Davis.	Mehl.
Dodd.	Metcalfe.
Donnell.	Moffett.
Dowell.	Munson.
Dwyer.	Nicholson.
Elliott.	Olsen.
Engelhard.	O'Quinn.
Farmer.	Petsch.
Fisher.	Ramsey.
Forbes.	Ratliff.
Ford.	Ray.
Fuchs.	Reader.
Gilbert.	Richardson.
Giles.	Rogers.
Greathouse.	Rountree.
Hanson.	Sanders.
Harman.	Satterwhite.
Harrison	Scott.
of El Paso.	Shelton.
Harrison	Sherrill.
of Waller.	Smith of Bastrop.
Hatchitt.	Smith of Wood.
Hefley.	Sparkman.
Herzik.	Stevenson.
Hill.	Strong.
Hines.	Tarwater.
Holder.	Terrell
Holland.	of Val Verde.
Holloway.	Vaughan.
Howsley.	Veatch.
Hubbard.	Wagstaff.
Jackson.	Walker.
Johnson	West of Coryell.
of Dallam.	West of Cameron.
Johnson	Westbrook.
of Dimmit.	Wyatt.

Nays—3.

Baker.	Murphy.
Dunlap.	

Present—Not Voting.

Bond.	Stephens.
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Absent.

Adams of Harris.	DeWolfe.
Anderson.	Duvall.
Beck.	Ferguson.
Dale.	Finn.

Goodman.	Morse.
Graves.	Patterson.
Grogan.	Pope.
Hardy.	Savage.
Hoskins.	Sullivant.
Hughes.	Terrell
Kayton.	of Cherokee.
Lasseter.	Towery.
Lemens.	Turner.
Long.	Van Zandt.
McGregor.	Weinert.
Martin.	Wiggs.
Moore.	Young.

Absent—Excused.

Albritton.	Farrar.
Bedford.	Mathis.
Bryant.	Steward.
Claunch.	Warwick.
Daniel.	

RELATIVE TO THE REDUCTION OF THE SALARIES OF EM- PLOYES OF THE STATE.

Mr. Sanders offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 16, Relative to the reduction of salaries of State employes.

Whereas, The general economic condition is unstable and justifies retrenchment in governmental affairs, as well as in all other lines of business; and

Whereas, Many individuals and agencies engaged in business, both large and small, have found it necessary to reduce salaries and to adopt a general program of economy in the conduct of business; and

Whereas, It is apparent that the State of Texas will have a large deficit at the end of the present bien-nium; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That it is the sense of the Legislature of Texas that a general program of economy be immediately adopted effective not earlier than October 1st, 1931, by all State departments, institutions and agencies, and all branches of the judiciary supported by the State; and that all salaries in the sum of \$1800 per year and over be reduced in the sum of ten per cent; provided, this reduction shall not apply to salaries fixed by the Constitution, but does specifically apply to all salaries fixed by statute and all salaries fixed in whole or in part by legislative enactment; and all salaries paid out of any State funds, general or special;

and that appropriations as made by the Forty-second Legislature for maintenance and upkeep, and for buildings and improvements, be reduced in the sum of fifteen per cent. Be it further

Resolved, That the Governor of the State of Texas, together with the Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Senate, the Chairman of the Appropriation Committee of the House of Representatives, the Chairman of the Board of Control, the State Comptroller, Attorney General, and State Auditor, be designated as a committee to see that the terms of this resolution be complied with; and said committee be and is hereby instructed to, at the earliest possible date, call a meeting to be held in Austin, Texas, at a time and place to be designated by the Governor, of all the heads of all State departments, State educational institutions, State eleemosynary institutions, all branches of the Judiciary supported by the State, and all other State agencies, and that this resolution be presented to them with the request that they immediately take such steps as are necessary to comply with the terms hereof. Be it further

Resolved, That the head of each State department, State educational institution, State eleemosynary institution, and every other State agency, and all members of the Judiciary receiving pay from the State within the terms of this resolution, be required to furnish the State Auditor a complete list of each and every individual who is employed under their direction in any capacity by the State of Texas, with the statement as to whether or not said employe has complied with the terms hereof; and that the State Auditor be and is hereby required to furnish to the Forty-third Legislature immediately upon its convening a complete list of all individuals who fail or refuse to comply herewith. Be it further

Resolved, That the State Comptroller is hereby instructed not to issue warrants after October 1st, 1931, to any individual in the employ, or connected with, the State of Texas in any capacity, coming within the limits of this resolution, for his or her salary, until he is advised by the head of the department, institution or agency with which the individual may be connected, or by the

individual, that said individual has been informed of the contents of this resolution and has an expression from said individual as to complying with the terms hereof. Be it further

Resolved, That in the matter of the fifteen per cent reduction for maintenance and upkeep, and for buildings and improvements, that the head of each State department, educational institution, eleemosynary institution, and every other agency, and the Judiciary, shall consult with the State Board of Control with reference to the best manner by which this provision may be complied with, and that any and all changes made in this provision be subject to the approval of the State Board of Control; and be it further

Resolved, That the actual expenses of the Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Senate and the Chairman of the Appropriation Committee of the House of Representatives, be paid out of the contingent fund of the Second Called Session of the Forty-second Legislature, upon approval of vouchers signed by said chairman, respectively, and the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, respectively.

SANDERS,
HUBBARD,
PETSCH,
HOWSLEY,
METCALFE,
AKIN,
VAUGHAN,
DeWOLFE.

The resolution was read second time.

Mr. Howsley moved that the resolution be laid on the table subject to call.

Mr. Burns of McCulloch raised a point of order on further consideration of the resolution, on the ground that the time for the consideration of resolutions has expired.

The Speaker sustained the point of order.

RELATIVE TO ADJOURNMENT SINE DIE.

Mr. Sanders moved to take up for consideration at this time House concurrent resolution No. 12, Providing for adjournment sine die, the resolution having heretofore been read second time, and laid on the table

subject to call, due notice having been given that same would be called up today.

Mr. Kennedy moved the previous question on the pending motion, and the main question was ordered.

Question recurring on the motion to take up the resolution, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—39.

Adkins.	Lockhart.
Alsup.	Long.
Beck.	McCombs.
Bond.	McGill.
Boyd.	Mehl.
Bradley.	Metcalf.
Brooks.	Moore.
Burns of Walker.	Morse.
Caven.	Murphy.
Coombes.	O'Quinn.
Finn.	Ratliff.
Grogan.	Ray.
Hubbard.	Reader.
Johnson	Rountree.
of Dallam.	Sanders.
Johnson	Sparkman.
of Dimmit.	Terrell
Keller.	of Val Verde.
Kennedy.	Van Zandt.
Lee.	Vaughan.
Lilley.	Wagstaff.

Nays—79.

Adams of Jasper.	Graves.
Adamson.	Greathouse.
Akin.	Hanson.
Baker.	Hardy.
Barron.	Harman.
Bounds.	Harrison
Brice.	of Waller.
Burns	Hatchitt.
of McCulloch.	Hefley.
Carpenter.	Herzik.
Coltrin.	Hill.
Cox of Lamar.	Hines.
Cox of Limestone.	Holland.
Cunningham.	Holloway.
Dale.	Hoskins.
Dodd.	Howsley.
Donnell.	Hughes.
Dowell.	Jackson.
Elliott.	Johnson of Morris.
Engelhard.	Jones of Shelby.
Farmer.	Justiss.
Ferguson.	Laird.
Fisher.	Leonard.
Forbes.	McDougald.
Ford.	McGregor.
Fuchs.	Magee.
Gilbert.	Moffett.
Giles.	Munson.
Goodman.	Nicholson.

Ramsey.	Tarwater.
Richardson.	Terrell
Rogers.	of Cherokee.
Satterwhite.	Towery.
Savage.	Veatch.
Scott.	Walker.
Shelton.	Weinert.
Smith of Bastrop.	West of Coryell.
Smith of Wood.	West of Cameron.
Stephens.	Westbrook.
Strong.	Wiggs.
Sullivant.	Young.

Absent.

Adams of Harris.	Lemens.
Anderson.	Martin.
Davis.	Olsen.
DeWolfe.	Patterson.
Dunlap.	Petsch.
Duvall.	Pope.
Dwyer.	Sherrill.
Harrison	Stevenson.
of El Paso.	Turner.
Holder.	Wyatt.
Jones of Atascosa.	

Absent—Excused.

Albritton.	Kayton.
Bedford.	Lasseter.
Bryant.	Mathis.
Claunch.	Steward.
Daniel.	Warwick.
Farrar.	

Mr. Sanders gave notice that he would on the next legislative day, move to take up for consideration at that time the above resolution.

RELATIVE TO THE COST OF THE GINNING OF COTTON.

Mr. Terrell of Cherokee moved to take up for consideration at this time House concurrent resolution No. 13, Relative to the reduction of the prices in the ginning of cotton, the resolution having heretofore been read second time, and laid on the table subject to call.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker laid the resolution before the House.

Mr. Kennedy offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House concurrent resolution No. 13 by substituting "20 cents" for "25 cents."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Beck offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House concurrent resolution No. 13 by adding after the words

"ginning and wrapping" the word "transportation."

The amendment was adopted.

The resolution as amended was then adopted.

RELATIVE TO FORECLOSURES ON FARM AND RANCH PROPERTY.

The Speaker laid before the House, for consideration at this time, the following resolution,

S. C. R. No. 2, Relative to the foreclosures on farm and ranch property.

Whereas, The Federal Land Bank of Houston, Texas, has made many loans on farms and ranch property throughout every section of the State of Texas, installments of interest and principal on which loans are accruing and becoming due and payable semi-annually; and

Whereas, The depressed condition of the market for commodities produced on said farms and ranch properties make it impossible for the respective farmers and operators thereof to meet current expenses and make payments of interest and principal as they become due according to the contracts with reference thereto, thus making many of the farms and ranch properties thus affected subject to foreclosure, jeopardizing the homes and possible home ownership of great numbers of the best citizens of this State; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the Legislature of Texas, the House of Representatives concurring, That the next succeeding regular or special session of the Congress of the United States could render an invaluable and lasting service to present and future generations of Texas farmers and stock raisers by taking such action as may be necessary to authorize the Federal Land Bank of Houston to suspend and defer the effectiveness of all of its loan contracts within the State of Texas for a period of three years, failure to do which conceivably would result disastrously to the agricultural prosperity of the entire State of Texas. Be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be, and he is hereby, instructed to forward a true and correct copy hereof to the President of the United States, to the Hon. M. H. Gossett, president of the Federal Land Bank of Houston, Texas, and to each of the

members of the United States Congress from Texas.

WOODRUFF,
WOODWARD,
DeBERRY.

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted.

RELATIVE TO CERTAIN RE- MARKS MADE BY GOV. HUEY P. LONG.

The Speaker laid before the House, for consideration at this time, the following resolution,

S. C. R. No. 5, Relative to remarks made by Gov. Huey P. Long.

Whereas, the Associated Press of this date, 16th day of September, 1931, carries a statement issued by Governor Huey P. Long of the State of Louisiana, as follows:

"It is an open matter of conversation and of world-wide known fact that the members of the Texas Legislature have been bought like a sack of corn to vote against the cotton prohibition plan.

"It is so well known that it is a matter of openly admitted conversation that they have paid them off like a slot machine.

"Every State in the South is ready to vote the prohibition plan and the people of Texas are begging for it, but the corruption at Austin alone stands in the way.

"It is a standing disgrace to the shame of the South and to the impoverishment of its people"; and

Whereas, This statement is not only untrue but carries the vice of a lie and the venom of a liar; and

Whereas, It is an assault by the Executive of the State of Louisiana upon the Legislative Department of the State of Texas, and should not be permitted to go unchallenged but should be met with a proper denial and denunciation; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of Texas, the House of Representatives concurring, That the above and foregoing quoted statement of Huey P. Long, Governor of the State of Louisiana, is a lie made out of the whole cloth, and its author is a consummate liar.

Signed—Hornsby, Williamson, Parr, Cousins, Berkeley, Woodward, Stevenson, Greer, Small, Martin, Woodul, Harding, Poage, Russek, Purl, Hoskins, Patton, DeBerry, Woodruff, Rawlings, Gainer, Thomason, Moore, Oneal.

The resolution was read second time.

Mr. Greathouse moved to suspend the House rule which relates to the consideration of resolutions at this time, and the motion was lost.

Mr. Barron moved that further consideration of the resolution be postponed indefinitely.

Mr. Greathouse offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend Senate concurrent resolution No. 5, so that the resolving clause shall be stricken and insert in lieu thereof as follows:

"Therefore, be it resolved, by the Senate of Texas, the House of Representatives concurring, That since the Governor of Louisiana has departed from a course of courteous conduct that can properly be followed by this Legislature under parliamentary rules of procedure, founded upon regard for the proper conduct of gentlemen of Texas, and that since a lie is a first lick in a fight, and since the Constitution of this State disqualifies those who have fought a duel from membership in this body, therefore, it is

"Resolved, That Governor Long has placed himself beneath the dignity of the further consideration of this Legislature."

Mr. Morse moved the previous question on the pending amendment, motion to postpone indefinitely, and the resolution, and the main question was ordered.

Question first recurring on the amendment by Mr. Greathouse, it was adopted, by the following vote:

Yeas—57.

Adkins.	Cox of Limestone.
Akin.	Dale.
Barron.	Dodd.
Beck.	Donnell.
Bounds.	Dowell.
Boyd.	Farmer.
Bradley.	Finn.
Burns	Fisher.
of McCulloch.	Forbes.

Ford.	Lee.
Fuchs.	Lilley.
Gilbert.	McGill.
Greathouse.	Mehl.
Hanson.	Metcalfe.
Harman.	Moore.
Harrison	Morse.
of Waller.	Murphy.
Hatchitt.	Ratliff.
Hill.	Satterwhite.
Hines.	Scott.
Holloway.	Sparkman.
Hubbard.	Strong.
Hughes.	Tarwater.
Johnson	Van Zandt.
of Dallam.	Vaughan.
Johnson of Morris.	Veatch.
Jones of Shelby.	Walker.
Jones of Atascosa.	Westbrook.
Justiss.	Wyatt.
Kennedy.	Young.

Nays—47.

Adams of Jasper.	Jackson.
Adamson.	Johnson
Alsup.	of Dimmit.
Baker.	Laird.
Brice.	Lemens.
Burns of Walker.	Lockhart.
Carpenter.	McCombs.
Coltrin.	McDougald.
Cox of Lamar.	McGregor.
Cunningham.	Martin.
Davis.	Moffett.
Dwyer.	Munson.
Elliott.	Nicholson.
Ferguson.	Olsen.
Giles.	Petsch.
Goodman.	Savage.
Graves.	Shelton.
Grogan.	Sherrill.
Harrison	Smith of Bastrop.
of El Paso.	Smith of Wood.
Herzik.	Stephens.
Holder.	Terrell
Holland.	of Cherokee.
Hoskins.	Wagstaff.
Howsley.	West of Coryell.

Present—Not Voting.

Ray.

Absent.

Adams of Harris.	Keller.
Anderson.	Leonard.
Bond.	Long.
Brooks.	Magee.
Bryant.	O'Quinn.
Caven.	Patterson.
Coombes.	Pope.
DeWolfe.	Ramsey.
Dunlap.	Reader.
Duvall.	Richardson.
Engelhard.	Rogers.
Hardy.	Rountree.
Hefley.	Sanders.

Stevenson.	Turner.
Sullivan.	Weinert.
Terrell	West of Cameron.
of Val Verde.	Wiggs.
Towery.	

Absent—Excused.

Albritton.	Kayton.
Bedford.	Lasseter.
Claunch.	Mathis.
Daniel.	Steward.
Farrar.	Warwick.

Question then recurring on the motion to postpone the resolution indefinitely, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—64.

Adkins.	Jones of Shelby.
Alsup.	Jones of Atascosa.
Barron.	Lee.
Beck.	Lemens.
Boyd.	Lilley.
Brooks.	Lockhart.
Burns	McCombs.
of McCulloch.	McGill.
Cox of Limestone.	Mehl.
Dodd.	Metcalfe.
Elliott.	Moore.
Engelhard.	Morse.
Farmer.	Murphy.
Finn.	O'Quinn.
Fisher.	Ratliff.
Forbes.	Ray.
Ford.	Rountree.
Fuchs.	Sanders.
Gilbert.	Savage.
Goodman.	Scott.
Hanson.	Sherrill.
Hardy.	Smith of Wood.
Harrison	Tarwater.
of El Paso.	Turner.
Hatchitt.	Veatch.
Herzik.	Wagstaff.
Hill.	Walker.
Hines.	Weinert.
Holloway.	West of Coryell.
Hubbard.	West of Cameron.
Hughes.	Westbrook.
Johnson	Wyatt.
of Dimmit.	Young.
Johnson of Morris.	

Nays—47.

Adams of Jasper.	Davis.
Adamson.	Donnell.
Baker.	Dowell.
Bounds.	Ferguson.
Bradley.	Giles.
Burns of Walker.	Graves.
Carpenter.	Greathouse.
Coltrin.	Grogan.
Cox of Lamar.	Harrison
Cunningham.	of Waller.
Dale.	

Holder.	Nicholson.
Holland.	Olsen.
Hoskins.	Petsch.
Howsley.	Reader.
Jackson.	Satterwhite.
Johnson	Shelton.
of Dallam.	Smith of Bastrop.
Justiss.	Sparkman.
Kennedy.	Stephens.
Laird.	Strong.
McDougald.	Terrell
McGregor.	of Cherokee.
Martin.	Van Zandt.
Moffett.	Vaughan.
Munson.	

Absent.

Adams of Harris.	Leonard.
Akin.	Long.
Anderson.	Magee.
Bond.	Patterson.
Brice.	Pope.
Caven.	Ramsey.
Coombes.	Richardson.
DeWolfe.	Rogers.
Dunlap.	Stevenson.
Duvall.	Sullivan.
Dwyer.	Terrell
Harman.	of Val Verde.
Hefley.	Towery.
Keller.	Wiggs.

Absent—Excused.

Albritton.	Kayton.
Bedford.	Lasseter.
Bryant.	Mathis.
Claunch.	Steward.
Daniel.	Warwick.
Farrar.	

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

Mr. Pat Dougherty, secretary to the Governor, appeared at the bar of the House, and being duly announced, presented the following message from the Governor, which was read to the House, as follows:

Executive Office,

Austin, Texas, September 18, 1931.

To the Members of the Forty-second Legislature:

As an emergency measure, I herewith hand to you the attached bill bearing upon the subject of the tax rate for the present year, and I urge your immediate passage of this measure in order that the tax rate for this year may be promptly fixed and in order to insure that the State rate will not be raised.

Respectfully submitted,

R. S. STERLING,
Governor.

By Mr. Hubbard, Mr. Petsch, and Mr. Johnson of Dimmit:

H. B. No. —.

A BILL

To Be Entitled

"An Act to amend Article 7043 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1925, Acts First Called Session, Thirtieth Legislature, page 464, relating to ascertaining tax rate, and declaring an emergency."

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article 7043 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1925, Acts First Called Session of the Thirtieth Legislature, page 464, be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

"Article 7043.—Ascertaining Tax Rate.—Within five days after the Comptroller has received such certified statements from every assessor within this State, said board shall meet for the purpose of calculating the ad valorem rate for taxes to be collected for the State and public free school purposes. In calculating said rates the board shall calculate the same by the following rules and upon the following basis: They shall find by adding together all the property subject to taxation in all the counties as shown by the certified statements returned by the assessors, the total valuation of all property within this State subject to ad valorem taxes. They shall find by adding together the sums appropriated by the Legislature, which will or which may become due by the State during the following fiscal year, the total sum which will or which may become due by the State, during the following fiscal year. They shall find, by adding all sums paid into the State Treasury as taxes for State purposes from all sources other than as ad valorem taxes during the first half of the current calendar year and the latter half of the preceding calendar year, the total sum paid into the State Treasury from said sources during said time. They shall find by subtracting from the total sum which will or which may become due by the State during the succeeding fiscal year the total sum which was paid into the State Treasury as taxes for State purposes during the first half of the current calendar year and the latter

half of the preceding calendar year, the total sum for State purposes which must be collected by ad valorem taxes. They shall add to such remainder twenty per cent of said remainder. They shall divide the total sum for State purposes which must be collected by ad valorem taxes added to twenty per cent of such total sum by the quotient of the total valuation of all property within this State divided by one hundred. The quotient shall be the number of cents on the one hundred dollars valuation to be collected for the current year for State purposes; provided, that said quotient shall not be run to more than three decimals. The rate for State purposes shall never exceed the rate fixed by law on the one hundred dollars valuation of property; provided, however, that the rate to be fixed as provided herein for the years 1931 and 1932 shall not exceed sixty-nine (69) cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of property. In calculating the rate to be collected for public free school purposes, said board shall take into consideration the number of children in the State within the scholastic age, to be determined from the most recent official school census; and shall fix a rate that will yield and produce for such fiscal year four dollars per capita for all the children within the scholastic age, as shown by said scholastic census; provided, the rate so fixed for any year shall never exceed the rate fixed by law."

Sec. 2. The fact that increasing the general ad valorem tax rate over the rate now existing will cause untold hardship, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity and that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days should be suspended, and said rule is hereby suspended, and this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage as provided for in Section 1 hereof, and it is so enacted.

HOUSE BILL NO. 31 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, as a special order for this hour, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 31, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Articles 2218, 2219, and Chapter 9, of Title 42, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, and adding Article 2219a to

said Chapter 9 of said Title 42; and providing that judgments foreclosing mortgage, contract and deed of trust liens upon real estate shall not be executed, nor shall an order of sale issue thereon, until after the expiration of six months from and after the date such judgments become final; providing for a right of redemption in the judgment debtor, his heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns within twelve months after the date of sale, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO THE MEMBERS.

The Speaker laid before the House and had read the following communication:

"The family of Leonard Tillotson wish to express their deep appreciation of your kindness and sympathy in their recent sorrow and for the beautiful wreath of gladiolas."

RECESS.

On motion of Mr. Forbes, the House, at 12 o'clock m., took recess to 2 o'clock p. m. today.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met at 2 o'clock p. m., and was called to order by the Speaker.

HOUSE BILL NO. 31 ON PASSAGE TO ENGROSSMENT.

The House resumed consideration of pending business, same being House bill No. 31, relative to the execution of judgments on real estate, etc., the bill having heretofore been read second time.

Mr. Morse raised a point of order on further consideration of the bill, on the ground that the subject matter contained in the bill has not been submitted by the Governor.

The Speaker declined to rule on the point of order, stating that he would submit the matter to the House for its decision.

Mr. Gilbert moved the previous question on the pending point of order, and the main question was ordered.

The House sustained the point of order by the following vote:

Yeas—69.

Adams of Jasper.	Lockhart.
Adamson.	McCombs.
Adkins.	McDougald.
Alsup.	McGill.
Beck.	Magee.
Bond.	Martin.
Brice.	Metcalfe.
Burns	Moffett.
of McCulloch.	Moore.
Carpenter.	Morse.
Caven.	Munson.
Coltrin.	Nicholson.
Coombes.	O'Quinn.
Dowell.	Petsch.
Dunlap.	Ratliff.
Fisher.	Ray.
Ford.	Rogers.
Fuchs.	Sanders.
Gilbert.	Savage.
Giles.	Scott.
Graves.	Sherrill.
Grogan.	Smith of Bastrop.
Harman.	Smith of Wood.
Harrison	Sparkman.
of Waller.	Stephens.
Holland.	Strong.
Howsley.	Sullivant.
Hubbard.	Van Zandt.
Jackson.	Vaughan.
Johnson	Veatch.
of Dallam.	Wagstaff.
Johnson	Weinert.
of Dimmit.	West of Coryell.
Johnson of Morris.	West of Cameron.
Lee.	Westbrook.
Lemens.	Wiggs.
Lilley.	

Nays—31.

Akin.	Hatchitt.
Baker.	Hefley.
Bounds.	Holder.
Burns of Walker.	Hoskins.
Cox of Lamar.	Jones of Shelby.
Cox of Limestone.	Jones of Atascosa.
Dale.	Laird.
Davis.	Leonard.
Donnell.	Olsen.
Elliott.	Richardson.
Farmer.	Tarwater.
Forbes.	Terrell
Goodman.	of Cherokee.
Greathouse.	Towery.
Hanson.	Walker.
Harrison	Young.
of El Paso.	

Present—Not Voting.

Kennedy.

Absent.

Adams of Harris.	Boyd.
Anderson.	Brooks.
Barron.	Cunningham.

DeWolfe.	Long.
Dodd.	McGregor.
Duvall.	Murphy.
Dwyer.	Patterson.
Engelhard.	Pope.
Ferguson.	Ramsey.
Finn.	Reader.
Hardy.	Rountree.
Herzik.	Satterwhite.
Hill.	Shelton.
Hines.	Stevenson.
Holloway.	Terrell
Hughes.	of Val Verde.
Justiss.	Turner.
Keller.	Wyatt.

Absent—Excused.

Albritton.	Kayton.
Bedford.	Lasseter.
Bradley.	Mathis.
Bryant.	Mehl.
Claunch.	Steward.
Daniel.	Warwick.
Farrar.	

Mr. Morse moved to reconsider the vote by which the point of order was sustained, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

MOTION FOR SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. Fuchs moved that House bill No. 21 be set as a special order for 2 o'clock p. m. next Monday.

The motion was lost.

HOUSE BILL NO. 47 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 47, A bill to be entitled "An Act ratifying and validating Edcouch-Elsa Independent School District, ratifying and validating the proceedings of the board of county school trustees of Hidalgo county in annexing territory thereto, ratifying and validating the proceedings of the board of school trustees of Hidalgo county in detaching territory therefrom, ratifying and validating the petitions of voters residing in territory annexed and detached, and actions thereon by the board of trustees of Edcouch-Elsa Independent School District, by the board of trustees of Common School District No. 2, Hidalgo county, and also by the board of county school trustees of Hidalgo county annexing territory, being a portion of Common School District No. 2, Hidalgo county, and detaching

territory from Edcouch-Elsa Independent School District, defining and describing Edcouch-Elsa Independent School District after such annexation and detachment, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time, and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—101.

Mr. Speaker.	Kennedy.
Adams of Harris.	Laird.
Adamson.	Lee.
Adkins.	Lemens.
Akin.	Leonard.
Alsup.	Lilley.
Baker.	Lockhart.
Barron.	McCombs.
Bounds.	McDougald.
Brooks.	McGill.
Burns of Walker.	Magee.
Burns	Martin.
of McCulloch.	Metcalfe.
Carpenter.	Moffett.
Caven.	Moore.
Coltrin.	Munson.
Cox of Lamar.	Murphy.
Cox of Limestone.	Nicholson.
Dale.	Olsen.
Davis.	Petsch.
Dodd.	Ratliff.
Dowell.	Ray.
Dunlap.	Richardson.
Elliott.	Rogers.
Engelhard.	Rountree.
Farmer.	Sanders.
Fisher.	Satterwhite.
Forbes.	Savage.
Ford.	Scott.
Fuchs.	Shelton.
Gilbert.	Smith of Bastrop.
Giles.	Smith of Wood.
Goodman.	Sparkman.
Graves.	Stephens.
Grogan.	Strong.
Hanson.	Sullivant.
Harrison	Tarwater.
of El Paso.	Terrell
Harrison	of Cherokee.
of Waller.	Towery.
Hefley.	Turner.
Herzik.	Van Zandt.
Hill.	Vaughan.
Hines.	Veatch.
Holder.	Wagstaff.
Holland.	Walker.
Holloway.	Weinert.
Hoskins.	West of Coryell.
Hubbard.	West of Cameron.
Jackson.	Westbrook.
Johnson	Wiggs.
of Dimmit.	Wyatt.
Jones of Shelby.	Young.

Present—Not Voting.

Bond.
Brice.

Coombes.

Absent.

Adams of Jasper.	Johnson
Anderson.	of Dallam.
Beck.	Johnson of Morris.
Boyd.	Jones of Atascosa.
Cunningham.	Justiss.
DeWolfe.	Keller.
Donnell.	Long.
Duvall.	McGregor.
Dwyer.	Morse.
Ferguson.	O'Quinn.
Finn.	Patterson.
Greathouse.	Pope.
Hardy.	Ramsey.
Harman.	Reader.
Hatchitt.	Sherrill.
Howsley.	Stevenson.
Hughes.	Terrell
	of Val Verde.

Absent—Excused.

Albritton.	Kayton.
Bedford.	Lasseter.
Bradley.	Mathis.
Bryant.	Mehl.
Claunch.	Steward.
Daniel.	Warwick.
Farrar.	

HOUSE BILL NO. 49 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 49, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3887 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, as amended by the Acts of the Forty-first Legislature, Regular Session Chapter 112, page 256, as further amended by the Acts of the Forty-second Legislature, Regular Session, Chapter 123, page 235 of the Special Laws of said Forty-second Legislature; providing that said article as so amended shall also apply to any county having a population of seventy-five thousand (75,000) inhabitants or more, according to the last preceding Federal census and each succeeding Federal census thereafter, which have voted road and bridge bonds amounting to six million dollars (\$6,000,000) or more, and flood protection bonds amounting to one million dollars (\$1,000,000) or more, where there is no district attorney and having two or more district courts, and in which the county attorney acts as district attorney, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time, and was passed.

MOTION TO SUSPEND CERTAIN RULE.

Mr. Van Zandt moved that Section 3 of Rule 23 of the House Rules be suspended at this time for the purpose of taking up and considering House bill No. 21.

The motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—65.

Adams of Jasper.	Johnson
Adamson.	of Dallam.
Adkins.	Johnson
Akin.	of Dimmit.
Alsup.	Jones of Shelby.
Barron.	Kennedy.
Beck.	Laird.
Bounds.	Lee.
Brice.	Lemens.
Burns	McDougald.
of McCulloch.	McGill.
Carpenter.	Metcalfe.
Coltrin.	Moore.
Coombes.	Nicholson.
Cox of Lamar.	Olsen.
Cox	O'Quinn.
of Limestone.	Ratliff.
Dale.	Ray.
Davis.	Richardson.
Dowell.	Rountree.
Dunlap.	Satterwhite.
Engelhard.	Scott.
Fisher.	Shelton.
Forbes.	Smith of Bastrop.
Fuchs.	Smith of Wood.
Gilbert.	Sparkman.
Giles.	Strong.
Harrison	Sullivant.
of Waller.	Tarwater.
Hatchitt.	Towery.
Hefley.	Van Zandt.
Hines.	Veatch.
Holder.	West of Coryell.
Holland.	West of Cameron.
Jackson.	Wyatt.

Nays—44.

Baker.	Hanson.
Bond.	Harman.
Brooks.	Herzik.
Burns of Walker.	Hill.
Caven.	Holloway.
Dwyer.	Howsley.
Elliott.	Hubbard.
Farmer.	Johnson of Morris.
Ford.	Lilley.
Goodman.	Lockhart.
Graves.	McCombs.
Greathouse.	Magee.
Grogan.	Martin.

Moffett.	Terrell of Cherokee.
Morse.	Turner.
Munson.	Vaughan.
Murphy.	Wagstaff.
Petsch.	Walker.
Rogers.	Weinert.
Sanders.	Westbrook.
Savage.	Wiggs.
Stephens.	Young.

Absent.

Adams of Harris.	Jones of Atascosa.
Anderson.	Justiss.
Boyd.	Keller.
Cunningham.	Leonard.
DeWolfe.	Long.
Dodd.	McGregor.
Donnell.	Patterson.
Duvall.	Pope.
Ferguson.	Ramsey.
Finn.	Reader.
Hardy.	Sherrill.
Harrison	Stevenson.
of El Paso.	Terrell
Hoskins.	of Val Verde.
Hughes.	

Absent—Excused.

Albritton.	Kayton.
Bedford.	Lasseter.
Bradley.	Mathis.
Bryant.	Mehl.
Claunch.	Steward.
Daniel.	Warwick.
Farrar.	

BILL ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard, House bill No. 54 was ordered not printed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas, September 18, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed

H. B. No. 27, A bill to entitled "An Act providing that the river bed of the Trinity River in Henderson and Navarro counties shall not be sold and shall remain open to the public for fishing and hunting with the specific reference to that portion of the Trinity River known as the Cut Off; and providing that the commissioners courts of Henderson and Navarro counties shall have the right of condemnation to procure right of ways to said river or Cut Off, and giving to the Game, Fish and Oyster

Commission authority to make regulations controlling fishing and hunting on said Cut Off of the Trinity River, and providing a penalty for violations of same."

S. B. No. 16, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1645, Title 34, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1925, as amended by Chapter 35, General and Special Laws passed at the First Called Session of the Fortieth Legislature, as amended by Chapter 28, General and Special Laws passed at the First Called Session of the Forty-first Legislature, relating to the appointment and compensation of county auditors in counties containing a population of thirty-five thousand inhabitants, or over, according to the preceding Federal Census, or having a tax valuation of fifteen million dollars, according to the last approved tax roll, and providing for additional compensation for the county auditors in such counties having more than 200,000 population and not more than 300,000 population according to the last Federal census where there is a city and county hospital to care for city and county patients, and where a financial record for such hospital must be kept and reports made to the city and county, providing that if any portion of this act be declared unconstitutional or invalid, the remainder shall not be affected thereby and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 52, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Chapter 325 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature, placing Presidio county under the hide and animal inspection laws of Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Secretary of the Senate.

HOUSE BILL NO. 54 ON SECOND READING.

Mr. Hubbard moved that Section 3 of Rule No. 23 of the House Rules be suspended, to take up and consider at this time,

H. B. No. 54, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7043 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1925, Acts of First Called Session, Thirtieth Legislature, page 464, relating to ascertaining

tax rate, and declaring an emergency."

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Hubbard moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that House bill No. 54 be placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment and on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—89.

Mr. Speaker.	Jones of Atascosa.
Adams of Jasper.	Kennedy.
Adamson.	Lee.
Adkins.	Lemens.
Akin.	Leonard.
Alsup.	Lilley.
Baker.	McGill.
Barron.	Magee.
Bounds.	Martin.
Brice.	Metcalf.
Carpenter.	Moffett.
Caven.	Moore.
Coltrin.	Munson.
Cox of Lamar.	Murphy.
Cox of Limestone.	Nicholson.
Cunningham.	Olsen.
Dale.	O'Quinn.
Dowell.	Petsch.
Dunlap.	Ramsey.
Dwyer.	Ratliff.
Elliott.	Ray.
Engelhard.	Richardson.
Fisher.	Rogers.
Forbes.	Rountree.
Ford.	Sanders.
Fuchs.	Satterwhite.
Gilbert.	Savage.
Giles.	Scott.
Goodman.	Shelton.
Greathouse.	Sparkman.
Grogan.	Stephens.
Hatchitt.	Strong.
Hefley.	Tarwater.
Herzik.	Towery.
Hines.	Turner.
Holder.	Van Zandt.
Holland.	Vaughan.
Holloway.	Veatch.
Howsley.	Walker.
Hubbard.	Weinert.
Jackson.	West of Coryell.
Johnson	West of Cameron.
of Dallam.	Wiggs.
Johnson	Wyatt.
of Dimmit.	Young.
Johnson of Morris.	

Nays—13.

Davis.	Farmer.
Donnell.	Graves.

Hanson.	Hoskins.
Harrison	Lockhart.
of El Paso.	Morse.
Harrison	Sherrill.
of Waller.	Terrell
Hill.	of Cherokee.

Absent.

Adams of Harris.	Justiss.
Anderson.	Keller.
Beck.	Laird.
Bond.	Long.
Boyd.	McCombs.
Brooks.	McDougald.
Burns of Walker.	McGregor.
Burns	Patterson.
of McCulloch.	Pope.
Coombes.	Reader.
DeWolfe.	Smith of Bastrop.
Dodd.	Smith of Wood.
Duvall.	Stevenson.
Ferguson.	Sullivant.
Finn.	Terrell
Hardy.	of Val Verde.
Harman.	Wagstaff.
Hughes.	Westbrook.
Jones of Shelby.	

Absent—Excused.

Albritton.	Kayton.
Bedford.	Lasseter.
Bradley.	Mathis.
Bryant.	Mehl.
Claunch.	Steward.
Daniel.	Warwick.
Farrar.	

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 54 before the House on its second reading and passage to engrossment.

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Sanders offered the following amendments to the bill:

(1)

Amend House bill No. 54 by striking out all of Section 1 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 1. That Article 7043 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1925, Acts of First Called Session of the Thirtieth Legislature, page 464, as amended by the Forty-first Legislature, Third Called Session, Chapter 23, pages 527 and 528, be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

"Article 7043.—Ascertaining Tax Rate.—Within five days after the Comptroller has received such certified statements from every assessor

within this State, said board shall meet for the purpose of calculating the ad valorem rate of taxes to be collected for the State and public free school purposes. In calculating said rates the board shall calculate the same by the following rules and upon the following basis: They shall find by adding together all the property subject to taxation in all the counties as shown by the certified statements returned by the assessors, the total valuation of all property within this State subject to ad valorem taxes. They shall find by adding together the sums appropriated by the Legislature, which will or which may become due by the State during the following fiscal year, the total sum which will or which may become due by the State, during the following fiscal year. They shall find, by adding all sums paid into the State Treasury as delinquent ad valorem taxes and interest and penalties thereon during the first half of the current calendar year and the latter half of the preceding calendar year and all sums paid into the State Treasury as taxes for State purposes from all sources other than as ad valorem taxes for the same period, the total sum paid into the State Treasury from said sources during said time. They shall find by subtracting from the total sum which will or which may become due by the State during the succeeding fiscal year the total sum which was paid into the State Treasury as taxes for State purposes during the first half of the current calendar year and the latter half of the preceding calendar year, the total sum for State purposes which must be collected by ad valorem taxes. They shall add to such remainder twenty per cent of said remainder. They shall divide the total sum for State purposes which must be collected by ad valorem taxes added to twenty per cent of such total sum by the quotient of the total valuation of all property within this State divided by one hundred. The quotient shall be the number of cents on the one hundred dollars valuation to be collected for the current year for State purposes; provided, that said quotient shall not be run to more than three decimals; provided, however, that the

rate to be fixed as provided herein for the years 1931 and 1932 shall not exceed sixty-nine (69) cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of property. In calculating the rate to be collected for public free school purposes, said board shall take into consideration the number of children in the State within the scholastic age, to be determined from the most recent official school census; and shall fix a rate that will yield and produce for such fiscal year seventeen and one-half dollars per capita for all the children within the scholastic age, as shown by said scholastic census; provided, the rate so fixed for any year shall never exceed the rate fixed by law.'"

(2)

Amend the caption of House bill No. 54, page 1, line 4, by adding after the figures "464" the following:

"As amended by the Forty-first Legislature of Texas, Third Called Session, Chapter 23, pages 527 and 528."

SANDERS,
HUBBARD,
JOHNSON of Dimmit.

The amendments were severally adopted.

House bill No. 54 was then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 54 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 54 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time.

Mr. McGill moved that further consideration of the bill be postponed until next Monday.

Mr. Farmer offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 54 by adding at close of Section 1 these words "provided the 69c shall include the 7c Confederate pension tax."

Question—Shall the amendment by Mr. Farmer be adopted?

Mr. Sanders moved to table the motion to postpone the bill until next Monday, and the motion to table was lost.

Question then recurring on the motion to postpone the bill until next Monday, it prevailed.

BILL AND RESOLUTION SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof and their captions had been read severally, the following enrolled resolution and bill:

S. C. R. No. 2, Relative to foreclosures on farm lands.

H. B. No. 52, "An Act to repeal Chapter 325 of the General Laws of the Forty-second Legislature, placing Presidio county under the hide and animal inspection laws of Texas, and declaring an emergency."

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, September 18, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed

H. B. No. 7, A bill to be entitled "An Act declaring the soil to be a natural resource of the State; declaring it is a public right and a public duty and made mandatory upon the Legislature of the State of Texas under Section 59 of Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas to enact laws to compel the preservation and conservation of the fertility of the soil; providing that for the purpose of preserving and conserving the soil, preventing waste thereof and erosion of the soil, and to aid in the eradication of, and to prevent the spread of, root rot and all other diseases of the soil, it shall be unlawful for any person, association of persons, firm, corporation or joint stock company, during the year 1932, to plant any cotton seed for the purpose of raising cotton on any land in excess of thirty-three and one-third per cent ($33\frac{1}{3}\%$) of the area thereof in cultivation during the year 1931; and to make it unlawful for any person, association of persons, firm, corporation or joint stock company during the year 1933, to plant any cotton seed for the purpose of raising cotton on any land in excess of fifty per cent (50%) of the area thereof in cultivation during the year 1932, etc., and declaring an

emergency," with amendments as substituted by Senate bill No. 9, with amendments.

Respectfully,
BOB BARKER,
Secretary of the Senate.

HOUSE BILL NO. 7 WITH SEN- ATE AMENDMENTS.

Mr. Olsen called up from the Speaker's stand, with Senate amendments, for consideration of the amendments,

H. B. No. 7, A bill to be entitled "An Act declaring the soil to be a natural resource of the State; declaring it is a public right and a public duty and made mandatory upon the Legislature of the State of Texas under Section 59 of Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas to enact laws to compel the preservation and conservation of the fertility of the soil; providing that for the purpose of preserving and conserving the soil, preventing waste thereof and erosion of the soil, and to aid in the eradication of, and to prevent the spread of, root rot and all other diseases of the soil, it shall be unlawful for any person, association of persons, firm, corporation or joint stock company, during the year 1932, to plant any cotton seed for the purpose of raising cotton on any land in excess of thirty-three and one-third per cent ($33\frac{1}{3}\%$) of the area thereof in cultivation during the year 1931; and to make it unlawful for any person, association of persons, firm, corporation or joint stock company during the year 1933, to plant any cotton seed for the purpose of raising cotton on any land in excess of fifty per cent (50%) of the area thereof in cultivation during the year 1932, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and the Senate amendments were read.

Mr. Olsen moved that the House do not concur in the Senate amendments, and that a free conference committee be requested to adjust the differences between the two houses on the bill.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—96.

Mr. Speaker.	Adamson.
Adams of Harris.	Akin.
Adams of Jasper.	Alsup.

Baker.	Justiss.
Barron.	Kennedy.
Beck.	Laird.
Bounds.	Lee.
Brice.	Lemens.
Burns of Walker.	Leonard.
Burns	Lockhart.
of McCulloch.	McCombs.
Carpenter.	McDougald.
Coltrin.	McGill.
Cox of Lamar.	Magee.
Cox of Limestone.	Martin.
Cunningham.	Metcalfe.
Dale.	Moffett.
Donnell.	Moore.
Dowell.	Morse.
Dunlap.	Murphy.
Elliott.	Olsen.
Engelhard.	O'Quinn.
Farmer.	Petsch.
Finn.	Ramsey.
Fisher.	Ratliff.
Forbes.	Ray.
Ford.	Richardson.
Fuchs.	Rogers.
Gilbert.	Rountree.
Giles.	Sanders.
Goodman.	Satterwhite.
Graves.	Savage.
Greathouse.	Scott.
Grogan.	Shelton.
Hanson.	Sherrill.
Hardy.	Smith of Bastrop.
Harrison	Sparkman.
of El Paso.	Stephens.
Hatchitt.	Strong.
Hefley.	Terrell
Herzik.	of Cherokee.
Hines.	Turner.
Holder.	Van Zandt.
Hoskins.	Vaughan.
Howsley.	Veatch.
Hubbard.	Wagstaff.
Jackson.	West of Coryell.
Johnson	West of Cameron.
of Dimmit.	Westbrook.
Jones of Shelby.	Wiggs.

Nays—7.

Adkins.	Jones of Atascosa.
Brooks.	Lilley.
Hill.	Walker.
Johnson of Morris.	

Present—Not Voting.

Tarwater.

Absent.

Anderson.	Duvall.
Bond.	Dwyer.
Boyd.	Ferguson.
Caven.	Harman.
Coombes.	Harrison
Davis.	of Waller.
DeWolfe.	Holland.
Dodd.	Holloway.

Hughes.	Reader.
Johnson	Smith of Wood.
of Dallam.	Stevenson.
Keller.	Sullivant.
Long.	Terrell
McGregor.	of Val Verde.
Munson.	Towery.
Nicholson.	Weinert.
Patterson.	Wyatt.
Pope.	Young.

Absent—Excused.

Albritton.	Kayton.
Bedford.	Lasseter.
Bradley.	Mathis.
Bryant.	Mehl.
Claunch.	Steward.
Daniel.	Warwick.
Farrar.	

In accordance with the above action the Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee: Messrs. Olsen, Turner, Murphy, Sparkman, and Westbrook.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

Mr. Pat Dougherty, secretary to the Governor, appeared at the bar of the House, and being announced, presented the following message from the Governor, which was read to the House, as follows:

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, September 18, 1931.

To the members of the Forty-second Legislature:

I hand you herewith for consideration the attached bill relating to the leasing of river beds for oil and gas development. The fact that river bed areas are now in proven oil territory but are not subject to lease and the fact that contiguous areas are being developed will lead to the draining of oil and gas belonging to the State of Texas from the river bed areas.

I consider this an emergency matter and request that you give it your prompt attention.

Respectfully submitted,

R. S. STERLING,
Governor.

H. B. No. — By Mr. Petsch.

A BILL

To Be Entitled

"An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 271, House bill No. 358, General Laws of the Regular Session

of the Forty-second Legislature, approved May 29, 1931, providing for the sale of lands belonging to the public free school fund of the State of Texas, except islands, lakes and bays and other lands within tide-water limits; amending Section 5 of said act, giving preference rights to holders in good faith of surveys of land to purchase the same; amending Section 8 of said act, relating to the lease of all unsold public free school lands, and declaring an emergency."

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 1 of Chapter 271, Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature, known as House bill No. 358, be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

"Section 1. All lands heretofore set apart to the public free school funds under the Constitution and laws of Texas, and all of the unappropriated and unsold public domain remaining in this State of whatever character, except islands, lakes and bays and other areas within tide-water limits, are subject to sale under the provisions of this act."

Sec. 2. That Section 5 of said House bill No. 358 be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

"Sec. 5. Any headright survey, homestead donation, pre-emption survey, script survey or other survey heretofore awarded or sold, or located under a valid right, which survey has been held and claimed in good faith by any party for a period of ten (10) years prior to the date of application for patent, and which surveys cannot be patented under existing laws, may be patented on payment of one dollar (\$1) per acre to the Land Commissioner. In such cases, the patent shall be issued to the owner now of record in the General Land Office and shall inure distributively to the benefit of the true and lawful owners of the land. In all cases where a tract of school land has been occupied by mistake as a part of another tract, such occupant owning the other tract of land, shall have a preference right for a period of six (6) months after the discovery of the mistake, or after the passage of this act, to purchase the land at

the same price paid or contracted to be paid by him for the land actually owned by him in said other tract of land, provided that the preference rights given by this section shall not be abridged or limited by reason of the proximity of the tract of land to any oil or gas wells."

Sec. 3. That Section 8 of said House bill No. 358 be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

"Sec. 8. Lands Subject to Lease.—All river beds and channels, islands, salt water lakes, bays, inlets, marshes and reefs owned by the State within tide-water limits, and that portion of the Gulf of Mexico within the jurisdiction of Texas, and all unsold public free school land, both surveyed and unsurveyed, shall be subject to lease by the Commissioner to any person, firm or corporation for the production of the minerals, except gold, silver, platinum, cinnabar and other metals, that may be therein or thereunder, in accordance with the provisions of this act and subdivision 2, Chapter 4, Title 86, Revised Statutes of 1925, relating to leasing public areas, in so far as same is not in conflict herewith."

Sec. 4. The importance of this legislation, and the fact that confusion has arisen in the administration of the affairs of the General Land Office on account of the uncertainty of the terms of the law amended hereby, and the fact that it is important for the preservation of the mineral interests of the State that said areas adjacent to producing oil wells be immediately put on the market before they are drained, create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and said rule is hereby suspended, and that this act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

RELATIVE TO THE MARRIAGE OF HON. FRANK PATTERSON.

Mr. Hardy offered the following resolution:

Whereas, In this Hall of the House of Representatives of the State of Texas many historical events have taken place; and

Whereas, Many notables of other States and foreign countries have ad-

dressed the citizens of this State here; and

Whereas, Many youthful orators in their glorious enthusiasm have expounded upon the future history of this State from this Hall and many patriarchs have told tales of the colorful, historical, and wonderful past of this State; and

Whereas, There have been assembled in this Hall men of all distinctions and classes, of all occupations and businesses, of all creeds and religions; and

Whereas, The very atmosphere of the Hall itself is pulsing with a patriotic spirit and with romance; and

Whereas, One of our youthful members, who has served with us, has caught this spirit of romance and in the glamour of these portals has allowed that budding romance to burst into full blown love and has petitioned one of our fair employes to journey with him from this Hall down the paths of life to future glories; and

Whereas, Said maiden, being one of our lovely daughters of this State of Texas, placing confidence and trust in this youthful statesman and with the natural instinct of her sex, has understood in order to make the great truly great, man needs the soothing voice and guiding hand of God's gift to the world, a woman, has condescended to his request and has consented to enter into that most holy and sacred state of matrimony; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Texas assembled in the Forty-second Legislature in the Second Called Session, That this great body pause in its deliberations at the hour of 5 o'clock on the 18th day of September in the year of our Lord 1931, to witness the celebration of the joining of this man and this woman through the act of man and by the will of God as one, and that William Franklin Patterson, Jr., of Fort Worth, Tarrant county, Texas, a member hereof, and Miss Rebecca Harlan of Stamford, Jones county, Texas, an employe of this House, be requested forthwith to come before the bar of this House immediately and there before this assembly of the Representatives of the people of the State of Texas and in the presence of God be made man and wife; and be it further

Resolved, That this House express to the youthful couple its best wishes and its sincere trust that they shall have a long, happy, prosperous, joyful and Christian life and know that they shall have the continual friendship of the members hereof forever. Be it further

Resolved, That the Speaker hereof appoint a committee to arrange the details of this ceremony and to see that said couple is safely escorted to the place from which they shall embark on their honeymoon.

The resolution was read second time.

On motion of Mr. Caven, the names of all the members of the House were added to the resolution.

Signed—Minor, Speaker; Adams of Harris, Adams of Jasper, Adamson, Adkins, Akin, Alsup, Albritton, Anderson, Baker, Barron, Beck, Bedford, Bond, Bounds, Boyd, Bradley, Brice, Brooks, Bryant, Burns of Walker, Burns of McCulloch, Carpenter, Caven, Claunch, Coltrin, Coombes, Cox of Lamar, Cox of Lime-stone, Cunningham, Dale, Daniel, Davis, DeWolfe, Dodd, Donnell, Dowell, Dunlap, Duvall, Dwyer, Elliott, Engelhard, Farmer, Farrar, Ferguson, Finn, Fisher, Forbes, Ford, Fuchs, Gilbert, Giles, Goodman, Graves, Greathouse, Grogan, Hanson, Harman, Harrison of El Paso, Harrison of Waller, Hatchitt, Hefley, Herzik, Hill, Hines, Holder, Holland, Holloway, Hoskins, Howsley, Hubbard, Hughes, Jackson, Jones of Shelby, Jones of Atascosa, Johnson of Dallam, Johnson of Dimmit, Johnson of Morris, Justiss, Kayton, Keller, Kennedy, Laird, Lasseter, Lee, Lemens, Leonard, Lilley, Lockhart, Long, McCombs, McDougald, Magee, McGill, McGregor, Martin, Mathis, Mehl, Metcalfe, Moffett, Moore, Morse, Munson, Murphy, Nicholson, Olsen, O'Quinn, Petsch, Pope, Ramsey, Ratliff, Ray, Reader, Richardson, Rogers, Rountree, Sanders, Satterwhite, Savage, Scott, Shelton, Sherrill, Smith of Bastrop, Smith of Wood, Sparkman, Stephens, Stevenson, Steward, Strong, Sullivant, Tarwater, Terrell of Cherokee, Terrell of Val Verde, Towery, Turner, Van Zandt, Vaughan, Veatch, Wagstaff, Walker, Warwick, Weinert, West of Coryell, West of Cameron, Westbrook, Wiggs, Wyatt, Young.

The resolution was then adopted.

In accordance with the above action, the Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee to arrange for the ceremony: Messrs. Hardy, Caven, Beck, Duvall, and Morse.

AUTHORIZING THE CORRECTION OF HOUSE BILL NO. 27.

Mr. Towery offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 20, Authorizing the correcting of House bill No. 27.

Whereas, In House bill No. 27 the sentence "and repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith" was left out of the caption of said bill; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Enrolling Clerk of the House be authorized and instructed to add to the caption of House bill No. 27 the following words: "and repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith."

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted.

(Mr. McGill in the chair.)

EXTENDING THANKS FOR INVITATION TO VISIT FORT WORTH.

Mr. Johnson of Dallam offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The Legislature of the State of Texas has been called in session for a specific purpose; and

Whereas, Invitations have been received by members of this body to attend the Arlington Downs races in Fort Worth on Saturday, September 19 (tomorrow), and arrangements made to convey them to Fort Worth on a special train; and

Whereas, By remaining in session tomorrow, the Legislature may be able to complete its labors one day earlier and save a considerable expense to the State; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we extend to the sponsor of the trip to Fort Worth our sincere thanks and courteously decline the invitation.

JOHNSON of Dallam,
GRAVES,
ROGERS,
HOSKINS,
HOLDER,
BRICE,
AKIN,
METCALFE,
TOWERY.

The resolution was read second time.

Mr. Morse moved a call of the House for the purpose of maintaining a quorum pending consideration of the resolution, and the call was duly ordered.

The Speaker then directed the Door-keeper to close the main entrance to the Hall and instructed the Sergeant-at-Arms to lock all other doors leading from the Hall, and stated that no member would be permitted to leave the Hall without written permission from the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Holder, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to bring in all absent members within the city who are not ill.

The roll was called and a quorum was announced present.

(Speaker in the chair.)

Question then recurring on the resolution, yeas and nays were demanded.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—83.

Adamson.	Holder.
Adkins.	Hoskins.
Akin.	Hubbard.
Alsup.	Hughes.
Baker.	Johnson
Barron.	of Dallam.
Beck.	Johnson
Bounds.	of Dimmit.
Bradley.	Jones of Shelby.
Brice.	Jones of Atascosa.
Burns of Walker.	Justiss.
Burns	Kennedy.
of McCulloch.	Laird.
Carpenter.	Lee.
Caven.	Lemens.
Coltrin.	Leonard.
Coombes.	McGill.
Cox of Lamar.	Magee.
Dale.	Metcalfe.
Donnell.	Moffett.
Dowell.	Moore.
Fisher.	Munson.
Forbes.	Olsen.
Fuchs.	Petsch.
Gilbert.	Ramsey.
Giles.	Ratliff.
Goodman.	Ray.
Graves.	Richardson.
Hanson.	Rogers.
Hardy.	Ronutree.
Harman.	Sanders.
Herzik.	Satterwhite.
Hines.	Savage.

Scott.	Van Zandt.
Smith of Bastrop.	Vaughan.
Smith of Wood.	Veatch.
Sparkman.	Wagstaff.
Stephens.	West of Coryell.
Strong.	West of Cameron.
Tarwater.	Westbrook.
Terrell	Wiggs.
of Cherokee.	Wyatt.
Towery.	Young.
Turner.	

Nays—21.

Adams of Jasper.	Jackson.
Brooks.	Johnson of Morris.
Cunningham.	Lilley.
Dwyer.	Lockhart.
Farmer.	Long.
Finn.	McCombs.
Ford.	Martin.
Harrison	Morse.
of Waller.	Murphy.
Hefley.	Shelton.
Holloway.	Walker.

Present—Not Voting.

Engelhard.

Absent.

Adams of Harris.	Hill.
Anderson.	Holland.
Bond.	Howsley.
Boyd.	Keller.
Cox of Limestone.	McDougald.
Davis.	McGregor.
DeWolfe.	Nicholson.
Dodd.	O'Quinn.
Dunlap.	Patterson.
Duvall.	Pope.
Elliott.	Reader.
Ferguson.	Sherrill.
Greathouse.	Stevenson.
Grogan.	Sullivan.
Harrison	Terrell
of El Paso.	of Val Verde.
Hatchitt.	Weinert.

Absent—Excused.

Albritton.	Kayton.
Bedford.	Lasseter.
Bryant.	Mathis.
Claunch.	Mehl.
Daniel.	Steward.
Farrar.	Warwick.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, September 18, 1931.
Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the
House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate
to inform the House that the Senate
has passed

S. B. No. 22, A bill to be entitled
"An Act to amend Section 28, Chap-
ter 16, of the General Laws passed
by the Thirty-ninth Legislature, at
its First Called Session, by adding
thereto two new sections, known as
Section 16a and Section 16b; pro-
viding that where any road district
includes within its limits portion of
a previously created road district,
subdivision or precinct, having road
bond debts outstanding, the newly-
created road district may issue bonds
for the purchase of roads within the
previously created district, subdivi-
sion or precinct; provided, that such
bonds shall be authorized and issued
in the form and manner prescribed
by General Law; providing that noth-
ing in this act shall affect or impair
any bond debts of previously created
road districts, subdivisions or pre-
cincts, portion of which may be in-
cluded within the subsequently cre-
ated road district, but that such in-
debtedness shall remain chargeable
against the territory voting the
same; providing that where a two-
thirds majority of the qualified tax-
payers and voters of any road dis-
trict embracing portions of any pre-
viously created road district, subdivi-
sion or precinct, heretofore cre-
ated, voting on the proposition, have
voted in favor of the issuance of
bonds for the purchase of roads with-
in the road district, subdivision or
precinct, portions of which were and
are included within the new district,
and also, voting on the proposition
of the further construction of roads
within the new district and the levy
of taxes therefor, and such bonds
have been approved by the Attorney
General and registered by the State
Comptroller, each such election and
all acts and proceedings in connec-
tion therewith by the commissioners
court, and all such bonds and taxes,
are validated and declared to be the
legal and binding obligations of
such districts, according to their
terms; authorizing the commission-
ers court to pass all necessary or-
ders in respect of any such bonds
which have not been issued and sold,
and to levy taxes therefor; providing
for the assumption by the new dis-
trict of only that portion of the out-
standing bonded indebtedness of the
old district in the same ratio that
the assessed valuation of the prop-
erty of the former district, subdivi-
sion or precinct, included in the new

district, bears to the assessed valuation of such former district, subdivision or precinct; enacting provisions incident and necessary to the subject and purpose of this act; providing a method for the issuance of such bonds, and declaring an emergency."

The Senate has granted the request of the House for a conference committee on House bill No. 7. The following have been appointed on the part of the Senate: Senators Cunningham, Woodward, Small, Neal and Thomason.

Respectfully,
BOB BARKER,
Secretary of the Senate.

HOUSE BILL NO. 29 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 29, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring that all ginner, cotton yard operators, and public warehousemen, as defined by the laws of this State, shall upon the request of the owner of any cotton held or possessed by such ginner, cotton yard operators or public warehousemen, draw samples of said cotton and send same to the State Department of Agriculture for classification; authorizing the Commissioner of Agriculture to employ public cotton classers licensed as required by law; authorizing the Commissioner of Agriculture to issue certificates showing grade and staple of samples of cotton and to prescribe such forms of reports and records and to do such other things as he may deem proper for carrying out the purposes of this law; providing for co-operation with the United States Department of Agriculture and the A. and M. College; appropriating fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000); providing penalties, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Sanders offered the following amendments to the bill:

(1)

Amend House bill No. 29, page 2, line 6, by inserting between the words "to" and "borrow" the following: "Market their cotton at its true value and."

(2)

Amend House bill No. 29, page 2, line 7, by striking out the words "with greater safety to banks" and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "to afford better protection to banks."

(3)

Amend House bill No. 29, page 3, line 2, by striking out all of said line after the word "the" and striking out all of line 3, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"State Treasurer and shall be deposited to the credit of the fund created by this act for the purpose of maintaining a revolving fund."

(4)

Amend House bill No. 29, page 3, line 20, by inserting after the word "appropriated" in said line, the following: "to create a revolving fund."

SANDERS,
HUBBARD,
WESTBROOK.

The amendments were severally adopted.

Mr. Terrell of Cherokee offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 29 by striking out the appropriation of \$50,000.

Question—Shall the amendment be adopted?

MARRIAGE OF THE HON. FRANK PATTERSON, JR.

At 5 o'clock p. m., the hour fixed by a resolution heretofore adopted, providing for the marriage ceremony of the Hon. Frank Patterson, Jr., of Tarrant county, to Miss Rebecca Harlan of Stamford, Texas, Miss Katharine Minor, daughter of the Hon. Fred H. Minor, serving as junior bridesmaid, and Miss Zeda Neff, bridesmaid, niece of the Hon. Fred H. Minor, advanced into the Hall and occupied the rostrum, where they were met by the Rev. Mr. Joseph K. Johnson, assistant pastor of the First Christian Church of Austin.

The bride was escorted to the rostrum by the Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives. The groom was accompanied by his brother, Charles Patterson of Fort Worth.

The marriage ceremony was then performed in the presence of the House and the assemblage.

SPECIAL ORDER SET.

Mr. Moffett moved that House bill No. 54 be set as a special order for 9:30 a. m., next Monday.

The motion prevailed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas, September 18, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed

H. B. No. 19, A bill to be entitled "An Act repealing subdivision four (4) of Article 7047, of the Revised Statutes of 1925, as amended by Chapter 212, Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature, levying an occupation tax on peddlers, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 39, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it lawful to hunt wild deer with one dog after being crippled in the counties of Liberty and Hardin, Texas, during the open season of each year for a period of five years, and declaring an emergency."

The Senate has adopted

H. C. R. No. 20, Authorizing the Enrolling Clerk of the House to amend the caption of House bill No. 27.

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,
Secretary of the Senate.

SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bills, received from the Senate today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

Senate bill No. 16, to the Committee on State Affairs.

Senate bill No. 22, to the Committee on State Affairs.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. Sanders moved that the House adjourn until 9 o'clock a. m., tomorrow.

Mr. Coombes moved that the House adjourn until 9 o'clock a. m., next Monday.

Mr. Barron moved that the House recess to 9 o'clock a. m., tomorrow.

Question first recurring on the motion by Mr. Sanders, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—83.

Adamson.	Justiss.
Adkins.	Kennedy.
Akin.	Laird.
Alsup.	Lee.
Baker.	Leonard.
Barron.	McCombs.
Beck.	McDougald.
Bounds.	McGill.
Bradley.	Magee.
Brice.	Metcalf.
Burns of Walker.	Moffett.
Burns	Moore.
of McCulloch.	Morse.
Carpenter.	Munson.
Coltrin.	Murphy.
Coombes.	O'Quinn.
Cox of Lamar.	Ratliff.
Cox of Limestone.	Ray.
DeWolfe.	Richardson.
Donnell.	Rogers.
Dowell.	Rountree.
Elliott.	Sanders.
Engelhard.	Satterwhite.
Fisher.	Savage.
Forbes.	Shelton.
Ford.	Sherrill.
Gilbert.	Smith of Wood.
Giles.	Sparkman.
Graves.	Stephens.
Greathouse.	Strong.
Grogan.	Terrell
Hanson.	of Cherokee.
Hardy.	Towery.
Harman.	Van Zandt.
Holder.	Vaughan.
Holland.	Veatch.
Hoskins.	Wagstaff.
Hubbard.	Warwick.
Hughes.	West of Coryell.
Jackson.	West of Cameron.
Johnson	Westbrook.
of Dallam.	Wiggs.
Johnson	Young.
of Dimmit.	

Nays—11.

Dwyer.	Hefley.
Farmer.	Johnson of Morris.
Finn.	Lilley.
Fuchs.	Lockhart.
Harrison	Olsen.
of Waller.	Scott.

Absent.

Adams of Harris.	Brooks.
Adams of Jasper.	Caven.
Anderson.	Cunningham.
Bond.	Dale.
Boyd.	Davis.

Dodd.	McGregor.
Dunlap.	Martin.
Duvall.	Nicholson.
Ferguson.	Patterson.
Goodman.	Petsch.
Harrison	Pope.
of El Paso.	Ramsey.
Hatchitt.	Reader.
Herzik.	Smith of Bastrop.
Hill.	Stevenson.
Hines.	Sullivant.
Holloway.	Tarwater.
Howsley.	Terrell
Jones of Shelby.	of Val Verde.
Jones of Atascosa.	Turner.
Keller.	Weinert.
Lemens.	Wyatt.
Long.	

Absent—Excused.

Albritton.	Kayton.
Bedford.	Lasseter.
Bryant.	Mathis.
Claunch.	Mehl.
Daniel.	Steward.
Farrar.	Walker.

The House, accordingly at 5:50 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 9 o'clock a. m., tomorrow.

APPENDIX.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The following committees have filed favorable reports on bills, as follows:

Judiciary: Senate bills Nos. 13 and 18.

State Affairs: House bill No. 54, and Senate bills Nos. 22 and 16.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED BILLS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, September 17, 1931.
Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 47, A bill to be entitled "An Act ratifying and validating Edcouch-Elsa Independent School District, ratifying and validating the proceedings of the board of county school trustees of Hidalgo county in annexing territory thereto, ratifying and validating the proceedings of the board of school trustees of Hidalgo county in detaching territory therefrom, ratifying and validating the pe-

titions of voters residing in territory annexed and detached, and actions thereon by the board of trustees of Edcouch-Elsa Independent School District, by the board of trustees of Common School District No. 2, Hidalgo county, and also by the board of county school trustees of Hidalgo county annexing territory, being a portion of Common School District No. 2, Hidalgo county, and detaching territory from Edcouch-Elsa Independent School District, defining and describing Edcouch-Elsa Independent School District after such annexation and detachment and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly engrossed.

RICHARDSON, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, September 17, 1931.
Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 30, A bill to be entitled "An Act repealing House bill No. 943, Chapter 159, page 311, of the Special Laws passed at the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature, as amended by House bill No. 37, Chapter 21, of the General and Special Laws of the First Called Session of the Forty-second Legislature, 1931, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly engrossed.

RICHARDSON, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, September 17, 1931.
Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 49, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3887 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, as amended by the Acts of the Forty-first Legislature, Regular Session, Chapter 112, page 256, as further amended by the Acts of the Forty-second Legislature, Regular Session, Chapter 123, page 235 of the Special Laws of said Forty-second Legislature; providing that said article as so amended shall also apply to any county having a population of seventy-five thousand (75,000) inhabitants or more, according to the last preceding Federal census and

each succeeding Federal census thereafter, which have voted road and bridge bonds amounting to six million dollars (\$6,000,000) or more, and flood protection bonds amounting to one million dollars (\$1,000,000) or more, where there is no district attorney and having two or more district courts, and in which the county attorney acts as district attorney, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly engrossed.

RICHARDSON, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, September 18, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 52, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Chapter 325 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature, placing Presidio county under the hide and animal inspection laws of Texas, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly engrossed.

JUSTISS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, September 17, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 7, A bill to be entitled "An Act declaring that it is mandatory under the Constitution of Texas that the Legislature enact laws to compel the preservation, development and fertility of the soil, preserve the public interest, general welfare and happiness of the people, and that in the exercise of its duty to so preserve and promote the general welfare, the Legislature declares that the soil and the fertility thereof adapted to raising cotton and other useful plants are the State's most valuable natural resources; that the growing of cotton is an industry of first importance; that the preservation and restoration of the soil and the fertility thereof is essential to the welfare of the people of the State; that the continuous use of the land in growing cotton and other soil-exhausting plants without rotation of crops or intervals has caused to a large portion of land of the State serious deteriora-

tion of the soil and the fertility thereof, disastrous erosion and loss of soil, spread of soil and/or plant diseases, propagation of harmful insects, making their elimination or control difficult and deterioration of quality and quantity of crops raised, and that like results will spread over other areas unless prevented, and that the results above enumerated have caused a lack of ability of a large percentage of the farmers of the State to meet the obligations due upon their homes, discharge taxes due by them, and injuriously affecting the general welfare of the people, the efficiency of the State government, and that the business of farming has thereby become affected and impressed with a public use, and that in order to alleviate said evils and prevent their further increase, the growing of cotton and other soil-exhausting plants is regulated; providing that in order to preserve and develop the fertility of the soil, to prevent waste and erosion of the soil, to prevent the spread of plant and/or soil diseases, and to destroy insects and prevent insect damage, and to preserve the interest of the public, general welfare, peace and happiness of the people, and to carry out each and every purpose specified it is declared to be unlawful for any person, association of persons, firm, corporation or joint stock company or lessee or occupant of any separately owned tract of land in the State, or the agent of the owner thereof, or any person or persons interested therein, to plant, cultivate, or harvest on said separately owned tract of land during the year 1932, or during said year 1932, to cause to be planted, cultivated or harvested thereon or permit to be planted, cultivated, or harvested thereon any crop of cotton or other soil-exhausting plant except in feed crops for man and domestic animals, or either, in excess of 33 1/3 per cent of the area of such separately owned tract of land in cultivation in planting crops during the year 1932; providing that said act is not intended to apply or prevent the harvesting of cotton or other plants actually planted, cultivated or grown during the preceding year; and further providing that by cultivated lands is meant lands planted in annual crops; defining the words "separately owned tracts"; further providing that said act shall apply under the same conditions therein imposed

with the same liabilities and penalties exacted to all crops of cotton or other soil-exhausting plants planted or cultivated or harvested in the State during the year 1933; providing that it shall be unlawful to plant or cultivate or harvest cotton or any other soil-exhausting plant except feed crops for man and domestic animals, or either, on lands of this State two years in succession; providing that for each acre of land so planted or cultivated or harvested or permitted to be planted, cultivated or harvested in violation of this act a liability, forfeiture and penalty of twenty-five dollars (\$25) for each acre is fixed, recoverable by the State of Texas, and payable into the road and bridge fund of the county or counties, respectively, where the violation of this act occurs; fixing venue in the district court; and providing the method of procedure for the institution of said suits, and making it the duty of the several county and district attorneys of the State to institute such proceedings for the enforcement of the provisions of this act and to collect the penalties provided for herein; providing for the granting of injunctions, and that said causes shall have precedence, and that any number of defendants residing in the same county or involving a county line farm may be made parties in the same suit; and providing fees for said attorneys representing the State of Texas of ten per cent (10%) of the amount collected for violation of this act; further providing that in the event of a failure or refusal of the county and/or district attorneys to perform the duties imposed herein, that the Attorney General of the State of Texas shall, upon the request of the county judge of any county or the Commissioner of Agriculture of the State of Texas, carry out said provisions by the institution of said suits; providing that all State owned and/or operated farms shall come under the provisions of this act; that any and all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed; and providing a saving clause in the event any part of this act should be held unconstitutional or invalid; and declaring that in such an event the remaining part of this act shall remain in full force and effect as the expressed intent of the Legislature, and declaring an emergency."

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly engrossed.

RICHARDSON, Vice-Chairman.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, September 18, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 52, "An Act to repeal Chapter 325 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature placing Presidio county under the hide and animal inspection laws of Texas, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

COX of Lamar, Chairman.

SEVENTH DAY.

(Saturday, September 19, 1931.)

The House met at 9 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Minor.

The roll was called and developed the fact that there was not a quorum present.

Mr. McCombs moved a call of the House for the purpose of securing a quorum, and the call was duly ordered.

The Speaker then directed the Doorkeeper to close the main entrance to the Hall and instructed the Sergeant-at-Arms to lock all other doors leading from the Hall, and stated that no member would be permitted to leave the Hall without written permission from the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. McCombs, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to bring in all absent members within the city who are not ill.

The roll was again called and the following members were present:

Mr. Speaker.	Burns of Walker.
Adams of Jasper.	Burns
Adamson.	of McCulloch.
Adkins.	Carpenter.
Akin.	Caven.
Alsup.	Coltrin.
Baker.	Cox of Lamar.
Barron.	Cox of Limestone.
Beck.	Cunningham.
Bounds.	Dale.
Brice.	Donnell.